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## Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

A NEW spectre is haunting the world, the spectre of bacteriological warfare. According to North Korean and Chinese charges, 16 different forms of germs have been dropped by American planes over North Korea causing epidemics of plague, cholera and other diseases. The American Secretary of State has demanded that an international investigation be carried out by the Red Cross, but, as could have been expected, this proposal was rejected by the Communist commanders.

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LET us admit it at once: we have no independent source of information. We have no means of determining whether plague-infested rats were actually dropped over North Korea or whether Catholic nuns in China have in fact killed hundreds of thousands of Chinese children, as has been alleged. An observer writing at a distance of ten thousand kilometres can only note the startling resemblance between such charges and similar claims made in the early Middle Ages. In Mayence 12,000 Jews were burned alive in 1329. They had been accused of spreading plague by poisoning the wells and practicing black magic. This was not an isolated case: many thousands of Jews and non-Jews were killed during the Middle Ages, victims of the most absurd suspicions. As late as 1630 Guglielmo Piazza, commissioner of health in Milan, was observed walking down the street writing from an ink-horn at his belt and wiping his ink-stained fingers against walls of houses. After being denounced and tortured, he confessed to having spread a disease, meanwhile incriminating a barber and an army officer, who in turn also confessed their guilt.

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PEOPLE did not know at that time that diseases were spread by germs, but witches and scapegoats are needed now as they were then; and certain modern police chiefs are no less efficient in the extraction of confessions than were the authorities in the Middle Ages. In 1933, Tchernov, former people's commissar of agriculture, was accused in the Bukharin trial of having sabotaged the Five Year Plan by spreading germs of hog's cholera and erysipelas which killed tens of thousands in the Rostov region and elsewhere. Dr. Ernst Ascher, a physician of German-Jewish origin in the Saratov region, was charged with and confessed to having inoculated his patients with syphilis spirochaetae. These, too, were typical rather than isolated incidents during 1936-38.

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PRESENT events in Korea should be viewed in an historical perspective. We are told in Samuel 1,5 how the plague smit 50,000 Philistines in Bet Shemesh and more in Ekron and Ashdot. But the Philistines were a backward people who lacked the scholastic training of the Middle Ages, nor were they acquainted with the dialectical methods of modern times by which disease can be used as a weapon in propaganda warfare. One should not be over-optimistic with regard to the progress of mankind in the last six hundred years. Black magic and witch hunts have been brought up-to-date, — today the approach is "scientific." As there will be no international investigation, of the Communist charges, the belief in bacteriological warfare will become another article of faith of our modern crusaders.

*Jerusalem, March 16.*

### LAST MINUTE LOSS

A thrilling last minute rally gave the French Army a 49-48 triumph over the Israel Army in their first basketball game in Paris Thursday night in the presence of the Israel Minister, Mr. Maurice Fischer, a representative of the French General Staff and foreign military attachés.

With Amedee and Beaukler sending in goals between them, Israel took the lead early in the game and held it until three minutes before the close. The second game was scheduled for last night.

# Connally Raps U.S. Aid Bill

**WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Senator Tom Connally, Democratic Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, shouted angrily yesterday that the U.S. "cannot go on forever appropriating large sums of money" for the European nations.**

He was challenging Mr. Averell Harriman, Mutual Security Director, who gave the Committee details of President Truman's new $7,900m. foreign aid programme.

"The U.S. cannot go on forever appropriating large sums of money for the United Kingdom, France and other countries if they are not willing to defend themselves," Mr. Connally declared. He also criticized the recent $300m. economic aid grant to Britain, saying the Administration had abused the provisions of last year's aid bill and the money should never have been given.

Mr. Harriman told the committee the plan included $2,900m. in "defense support" funds, with Britain and France getting the lion's share. Mr. Connally said: "It is supposed to be economic aid, no matter what you call it. Instead of quitting (an economic aid programme) we have adopted this device." Mr. Harriman replied that it was "not a device, but a method of building up military security."

Democrat Senator Theodore Green said there had been criticism in many of the Marshall Plan countries that all the benefits of U.S. aid had gone to employers. There was a general complaint that the workers received no direct benefits. Mr. Harriman agreed that some classes had improved their conditions better than the workers. France, for instance, had recently taken steps to improve its tax collection policies and it was hoped there would be a better distribution of national income.

"It is still my view that the French worker does not get as equitable a share of the national income as some other classes," he said. "But the French worker has improved his conditions since the start of the Marshall Plan."

#### Agreed to Share

Mr. Harriman said that at Lisbon the NATO countries had agreed to the principle that the burden of rearmament should be shared by all sections of their peoples. He would not suggest, however, that the U.S. should attempt to set up any standards although it was true that it was trying to influence the policies of some countries in this regard.

Senator Green asked if it would not be possible, when a piece of machinery was delivered under the Mutual Security Programme, to an arms manufacturer, to attach conditions regarding the treatment of his employees.

Mr. Harriman said he did not know how it could be refused. But, in offshore purchasing, the U.S. did insist that a contractor should conform with the labour laws of his country and give fair treatment to workers. He agreed that it was useful for Congress to express its interests in foreign aid legislation.

Mr. Harriman told the Committee that allocations under the heading of "defence support" would include $600m. for Britain, $400m. for France, $400m. distributed among the remaining countries of the original NATO alliance and $400m. more distributed among Greece, Turkey, Austria and Yugoslavia. This would make a total of $1,600m. of defence support for Europe.

## Draper Confirmed As 'Aid Ambassador'

**WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Senate has confirmed the appointment of Mr. William H. Draper as Special Ambassador in Europe for the foreign aid programmes.**

**It also confirmed Mr. Frederick Anderson, retired Air Force general, as Mr. Draper's assistant with the rank of Ambassador. Other diplomatic appointments confirmed included: Mr. W.J. Kenney, to be Deputy Director of Mutual Security under Mr. Averell Harriman, Mr. James Clement Dunn to be Ambassador to France, Mr. Ellsworth Funker to be Ambassador to Italy and Mr. Cavendish W. Cannon to be Ambassador to Portugal.**

## Wilson Charges U.S. Imposing Armament

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Harold Wilson, leading left-winger in the Labour Party, today charged the U.S. with putting pressure on Europe to adopt rearmament programmes beyond her economic capacity.

He said U.S. aid depended too much on approval by her military leaders, that the U.S. did not recognize Britain's position as a member of the Commonwealth and that some Americans would like to see the Sterling area broken up.

Mr. Wilson, an economist, resigned his post as President of the Board of Trade in the Labour Government last year to support Mr. Aneurin Bevan's opposition to his Party's official approval of the big rearmament scheme.

"Marshall aid was one of the most statesmanlike decisions undertaken in international trade," he said today. "Practically the only conditions attached to it were conditions necessary to ensure the object of self-help.

"Now you have U.S. aid almost entirely military and given only on conditions which the Pentagon approves. I think it is fair criticism to say there has been pressure by the U.S. on Europe to adopt rearmament programmes beyond the economic capacity of Europe, thereby bringing weakness not strength," he said.

Meanwhile, the National Union of Railwaymen, Britain's fifth largest union, gives unqualified support to the left-wing leader, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, who has split with the British Labour party leaders on the rearmament issue.

In its official journal the union declared that its rank and file membership, its executive and tens of thousands of other trade unionists were solidly behind Bevan.

**Britain's 700,000 miners demanded higher wages today following the budget proposals which raises food costs. Leaders of the miners union met here and declared the budget "tantamount to a reduction in wages."**

## Proposed Israel Grant To Be More Than $76m.

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — Israel is scheduled to receive a share of the $55m. earmarked for technical aid to the Middle East and of the $600,270,000 for military aid, in addition to the $76m. proposed for the relief and resettlement of refugees in Israel, the Mutual Security Agency announced yesterday.

The statement said that the Israel economy was "faced with serious difficulties, due in part to efforts to establish a modern state while integrating immigrants in large numbers from diverse cultural backgrounds. It is obvious that technical aid cannot by itself provide a solution to Israel's economic problems, but experience to date suggests it can succeed in its specific objectives, namely to aid in reducing the present economic crisis and to contribute significantly towards developing and increasing productivity."

The statement said that Israel required substantial aid, comprising supplies for relief, settlement and economic development.

## Swiss Investors Due For Oil Talks

Representatives of a group of Swiss investors, interested in carrying out test drillings for oil in Israel, is due to arrive here this week to negotiate with Government representatives, reliable sources reported in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Oil Laws, setting out the legal questions of granting licences for test drillings and the exploitation of oil wells, already approved in principle by the Cabinet, will be ready within two weeks and after final approval by the Cabinet will be tabled in the Knesset. No licences can be granted to anybody before the Law is approved by the Knesset.

## Joseph Says Compulsory Loans in Offing

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — Compulsory loans, higher taxes, the reduction of purchasing power and of foreign currency imports to a minimum will be among the Government's forthcoming economic measures, Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Commerce, told a Mapai meeting at Ashdot Ya'acov today. Consumption of luxury goods would be forbidden and banking credit restricted, he said. Our resources would be directed towards increasing agricultural output, fostering export industries and the search for natural resources, Dr. Joseph said. Thousands of workers in towns and immigrant settlements would soon have to earn their livelihood by farming and agricultural settlements would have to raise their output.

The Government would henceforth balance the Ordinary and Defence budgets from tax revenues, and Dr. Joseph urged tax-payers not to rely overly on contributions and loans from abroad.

Dr. Joseph said he was aware that the new economic policy affected workers also, but this was unavoidable if our national security and a stable economy were to be maintained. "Essential production has dropped by 40 per cent. We are witnesses of luxury and waste," Dr. Joseph declared. "Last year, 80,000 electric refrigerators were imported and 51,000 were spent on local products abroad." At Columbia University, Israelis headed the list of foreign students and cinema attendance was higher here than in the U.S.," the Minister said.

### MT. EBAL ERUPTS

Sharp volcanic explosions, accompanied by clouds of black smoke, shook Nablus when Mt. Ebal erupted on Friday morning, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reported yesterday.

## Progress Made In Anglo-U.S. Stand On Russian Note

LONDON, Saturday. — Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and U.S. Ambassador Walter Gifford conferred lengthily today on a draft reply to the latest Soviet proposal for a four-power conference on a German peace treaty. Considerable progress was understood to have been made toward a joint move.

The U.S. Ambassador is spending an informal week-end at Mr. Eden's country home at Binderton, where the latter is recovering from a recent illness.

Discussions on a reply to Moscow will continue on Monday at the Foreign Office, when French Ambassador Rene Massigli will also attend.

Meanwhile, reports from Brussels said Belgium will study the Russian proposal "with utter good will" and will make a sincere effort of understanding the offer in the hope of discovering constructive elements which could yield a basis for future negotiations.

(In Berlin last night the East German Parliament called on the West German Parliament to support the Russian proposals.). (UP, Reuter)

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S., Britain and France on Thursday night proposed to the Soviet Union a short eight-article treaty to restore Austria's independence. The proposal was submitted to the Kremlin by the Ambassadors of the Big Three.

Russia, in long negotiations over the Austrian treaty, has already agreed to seven of the eight articles. The only new article would require the USSR and the Western Powers to relinquish all property in Austria claimed by them as Nazi assets and war booty.

## Blaustein Confers On Eve of Talks

NEW YORK, Saturday.—Mr. Jacob Blaustein, President of the American Jewish Committee and a member of the Presidium of the conference of Jewish Material Claims against Germany, flew to London yesterday to confer with representatives of the Israel Government and a team of experts on Jewish claims against Germany.

Mr. Blaustein said they would also discuss the co-ordination of non-Israel claims against Germany after which they would go to Brussels on March 23 to begin actual negotiations with the Bonn Government.

(In London, a source close to the Israel Legation maintained the talks will open on March 25 despite reports to the contrary.)

Mr. Blaustein said the claims of world Jewry and of Israel against Germany would be negotiated separately but at the same time. He was accompanied by Dr. Simon Segal, head of the Foreign Affairs Department of the American Jewish Committee.

He said he expected the negotiations would finish in about ten days.

## Italian Envoy Returns For Sharett Talks

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Italian Minister to Israel, Marquis Raimondo Giustiniani, flew to Rome yesterday to participate in the discussions between Italian Premier Alcide de Gasperi and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, which are to begin next week. The Minister had been summoned to Rome by the Italian Foreign Ministry.

Mrs. Sharett also left by air for Rome yesterday for a series of social functions to be given there on the occasion of her husband's visit.

The Foreign Minister, recuperating from his recent attack of influenza, will remain in London for another week, it was announced last night in Hakirya. His official visit to Rome is to start on March 25.

## BEGIN AGAIN THREATENS CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

HAIFA, Saturday.—"I hope our demonstration against reparation talks with the Germans passes off quietly, but if Mr. Ben Gurion orders his men to attack us, we will fight back," Mr. M. Begin, the Herut party leader, told a mass meeting here today. "If the Government accepts money from the Germans, a life and death struggle will begin. Imprisonment will not deter us," he said, "we shall not pay taxes to the Government and its orders will be thrown into the waste paper basket," the Herut leader declared. "The Government exists by force of bayonets, but we are experienced in breaking bayonets," he said.

Histedrut leaders in Tel Aviv this week-end discussed precautionary measures in the event of Herut riots when the talks begin next week. It is proposed to use Hapoel squads as guards. Hapoel has offered to the use of these squads to protect Histedrut property, but not to break up demonstrations.

The Communists are expected to demonstrate in Tel Aviv tomorrow afternoon against the negotiations.

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### AGENCY STATUS

The legal status of the Jewish Agency in Israel will be clarified in discussions between a newly-appointed ministerial committee and Agency representatives, it was announced yesterday.

When agreement is reached, it will be tabled in the Knesset, it was said.

## Moscow Asks: Who Threatens Britain?

**LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Moscow Radio today described the prospect in store for the entire British people as not only that of economic difficulties and lower standard of living, but an increase of war danger. The radio asked what is the reason for Britain's arms drive and who threatens Britain. "Nobody has any intention of attacking her (Britain), nobody is building war bases on her borders — if we do not count, of course, the U.S. which has turned Britain herself into a base."**

## Greeks Defy U.S. On Election System

ATHENS, Saturday. — In its first open defiance of the U.S. since the latter started pumping some $2,000m. into the country, the Greek Cabinet issued a statement today saying, "it is the right of the Greek people and Government to decide upon an electoral system on the basis of the Constitution, Parliament and the interests of the country."

The U.S. Embassy had said here yesterday that the restoration of a proportional representation electoral system in Greece would lead to instability of Government and would have "a catrophic influence on the good use of American aid."

The Greek Minister of the Interior, Mr. Constantine Rendis, a leading member of the Progressive Party, was ready Thursday night to introduce to Parliament a bill to re-establish this system for future elections.

He changed his plan at the last minute, however, when Greece's ailing Prime Minister, General Plastiras, leader of the Progressives, issued a statement declaring, "I continue to believe that the majority system is the only adequate one." (*Reuter, UP*)

# Malik Charges, Cohen Denies U.S. Employing Bacteria

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Russia yesterday accused the U.S. of "employing bacteriological warfare" in Korea and China and asked the Disarmament Commission to consider immediately this "violation of the prohibition" on germ warfare.

The Soviet delegate, Mr. Jacob Malik, told the first meeting of the Disarmament Commission that germ warfare was "designed to produce the mass extermination of the civilian population." He urged it immediately to consider the question of "a violation of the prohibition on bacteriological warfare."

Mr. Benjamin Cohen, U.S. delegate, sharply retorted that the Russian delegate's statement was "an unwarranted and uncorroborated charge." He added "the Secretary of State has asked the International Red Cross to investigate these charges and let their falsity be known. We have asked for an impartial investigation."

**Speaking of a news conference today, Mr. Cohen said the U.S. is considering demanding a U.N. investigation of "false" Soviet charges.**

Mr. Malik vigorously criticized Mr. Acheson's statement of March 12. The Soviet delegate said that the U.S. Secretary of State had launched a "slanderous attack" on the Soviet Union in attempting to justify the U.S. policy of aggression and armaments race. He denied the Soviet Union has threatened or does threaten anyone. "The Soviet Union wishes that armed conflicts might not occur between the U.S.S.R. and U.S. or any other country," he said.

Mr. Malik declared Mr. Acheson's statement might ordinarily be passed over because it was not new or original, but should be referred to because it was made on the eve of the resumption of the work of the Disarmament Commission. He said Mr. Acheson had given "lip service" to the question of the reduction of armaments, but in reality was attempting a further increase in armed strength.

Mr. Malik also told the Commission that the total of British, U.S. and French forces now existing was seven times greater than the total Soviet forces.

"The general total of the Atlantic bloc and countries very close to it, such as Yugoslavia and Spain, amounts to more than 7,000,000 troops," he said.

The Commission adjourned till March 19.

Sir Gladwyn Jebb (Britain), who spoke before Mr. Malik, told the Commission: "The minimum of confidence between all nations, which is essential if agreement is to be reached on disarmament, certainly does not exist at the present time. We do not, however, conclude from this that our task is hopeless from the start.

## More Immigrants From Rumania

HAIFA, Saturday — The s.s. Transilvania arrived here yesterday morning with 788 immigrants from Rumania. The newcomers reported that the transfer of "undesirable residents" from the towns to the rural districts had already begun in all places but Bucharest, and affected several classes of persons, among them property owners, houseowners and former Army officers. The position of candidates for immigration to Israel was, however, being taken into consideration, and special arrangements were being made for them, they said.

## 47-Hour Week In Gov't Offices

The 47-hour work week will start in all Government offices on Wednesday, it was announced on Friday.

Civil servants will work from 7.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. and from 1.30 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. from Sundays to Thursdays, and from 7.30 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. on Fridays.

Reception hours will be from 9 to 12 a.m. and from 3.00 to 5.30 p.m. from Sundays to Thursdays, and from 9.00 to 12.00 a.m. on Fridays.

# Hilali Charges Wafd Planning Coup d'Etat

## Says Students Being Instigated

**CAIRO, Saturday. — Premier Najib el-Hilali today accused the majority Wafdist Party of plotting to overthrow his Government. He said in a broadcast, "Their aim is clear — a desire to return to power for power's sake."**

Hilali added: "They believe the Government is unaware that they are plotting to stir up chaos and destruction once more, and we accuse them outright of this."

The Premier pledged, "as God is my witness," that he would work both to force the British from Egypt and to bring the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan solely under the crown of King Farouk.

Broadcasting to the nation on Constitution Day, he said the Wafd is demanding the immediate lifting of martial law, which it had itself imposed to put an end to sedition before it was ousted from power six weeks ago, and now seems to be fomenting and encouraging another sedition, encouraging university students to create trouble and chaos.

#### Considering Parliament

Hilali said he was still meditating on the fate of the present Wafdist-dominated Parliament, suspended when he took over the Premiership from Ali Maher Pasha.

On Thursday night 10,000 students of Cairo's Fuad el Awal University resolved to oppose any alliance with "Anglo-American imperialism." At a rally in the University assembly hall, they decided against Egypt's participation in SACME. Steel-helmeted police stood guard outside the university compound, but there were no disturbances.

**Today, teachers at Egypt's three universities also resolved to oppose Egypt's participation in any alliance with the Western powers. Teachers of the Fuad el Awal, Farouk and Ibrahim Universities attended the meeting which demanded pursuance of the national struggle against British troops in the Canal Zone and for the incorporation of the Sudan, the immediate abolition of martial law and the curfew and the release of political detainees.**

Meanwhile, in Ismailia General Sir George Erskine, British Commander in the Canal Zone, today agreed in principle to raising the British military cordon in Ismailia on the north side of the Sweetwater Canal. He said that about a battalion of British troops will remain in the town at least for the time being to ensure that law and order are maintained.

Barbed-wire barricades and troops, however, will be withdrawn from the Quay Mohammed Ali and Egyptians evicted from houses in the cordoned area which extends to a depth of about two blocks will be allowed to return to their homes.

## 'Monde' Urges Halt To Indo-China War

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter)—The Conservative newspaper "Le Monde" yesterday called on the French Government to halt the war in Indo-China.

An anonymous two-star French general writing in "Le Monde" said: "The time has come when we must apply the only remedy which will save us in Europe, where we must arm to the maximum, and in Africa too, where our prestige is being frittered away. The only remedy is to halt hostilities in Indo-China."

The General added that the Indo-Chinese war was "exhausting France's best forces and only playing the game of the Russians."

"There is little time left and France's blood is draining away. Our strength is declining while our former rival, who does not have the burden of Indo-China, is preparing to take the first place in Western Europe," he said.

### Bomb Exploded in Home Of Tunisian Premier

TUNIS, Saturday. — A bomb exploded shortly after midnight yesterday in the home of the Tunisian Premier, Mohammed Chenik, apparently, however, without injuring anyone. An official Tunisian communique on the subject stated that the Premier had some time ago received a threatening letter, "written in excellent French."

## Amr Pasha Planning Return to London

**LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Egypt's recalled Ambassador to Britain, Abdel Fattah Amr Pasha, may return to his post in London in the near future, possibly next week, diplomatic circles here said today.**

**The Egyptian Embassy was understood to be assisting precise details of his return.**

**King Farouk signed a Royal decree on Thursday night appointing Farid Bey Chief of Staff of the Egyptian Army.**

## Jamali Opposed To Peace with Israel

Dr. Fadil Jamali, former head of Iraq's U.N. delegation and now President of Parliament, arrived in Karachi on Friday reportedly in connection with Sir Zafrullah Khan's project for the establishment of an Asian bloc.

Before leaving Baghdad for Pakistan, Jamali described as a "traitor" any Arab calling for peace with Israel.

Meanwhile the Old City and Amman press continued the publication on its front pages of news items, editorials and translations from the Hebrew press on the subject of an Arab-Israel peace. "Falastin" on Friday editorially dealt for the third consecutive day with the subject of peace with Israel.

The paper said that during Abdullah's reign "the Jews liked to spread news of Jordan's intention to make peace with them." This continued until, with the advent of King Talal, the Jordan Government showed its "real intentions" toward Israel. These intentions were described by the paper as "a tight boycott and a charge sheet in the form of an English booklet with figures and facts showing their aggression against the peaceful Arabs."

"It would be wiser for the Jews to realize that there is not a single Arab who will make peace with them," "Falastin" said, adding: "Should there be one, 70 million others are ready to convince him that he is wrong."

## Communists Allege New U.N. 'Atrocity'

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter).—Communist negotiators at the Korean truce talks today described the death of 12 Communist prisoners on Thursday in a U.N. camp riot on Koje island, south-west of Pusan, as "sanguinary" and "illegal killing."

News of the riot, in which 26 other Communist prisoners were wounded, was announced here early today and passed to the Communist representatives at Panmunjom when Allied sub-delegates met them again on the issue of prisoner releases.

The latest outbreak began when a large party of unruly Communist prisoners suddenly stoned a detachment of South Korean troops and a work party of cooperative prisoners of war passing the area. One U.S. officer and a South Korean civilian were reported to have been injured.

During Staff officer talks on cease-fire supervision today, the U.N. sounded Communist views of a possible compromise concerning five points in dispute.

The U.N. told the Communists they were not making a formal compromise proposal, but under the scheme discussed the U.N. would accept limitation of ports of entry during an armistice to five on each side instead of six.

The U.N. also would agree to drop two other clauses — the first calling for each side to report to the military armistice commission the location of major units and the other forbidding the concentration of troops in a way threatening the other side, — if the Communists agreed:

1. That the authority of neutral inspection teams should exclude the right to examine "secret" designs of war equipment.

2. That the validity of the truce agreement be limited to inserting the words "in Korea" in the appropriate paragraph.

## 5 POISONING DEATHS

NATHANYA, Saturday.—Three residents of the Bet Lidd ma'bara have died of poisoning and five others are still unconscious in hospital at Rosh Ha'ayin.

The dead are Mrs. Zarifa Dangari, 35, her son, Yosef, 11 and Mr. Pinhas Daniel, 29. Mrs. Dangari's husband, son and daughter-in-law and Mr. Daniel's widow and infant daughter are in hospital.

The Dangari and Daniel families broke their fast on the eve of Purim with potato soup and some cakes made from flour and fried in oil which they had bought in the ma'bara. Mrs. Zarifa died on Wednesday, her son on Thursday and Mr. Daniel yesterday.

The food was sent to a police laboratory for analysis.

### Caronia Leaves After Near Accident

HAIFA, Saturday. — The British luxury liner, the 34,000 ton Caronia, which left this morning after a two-day visit to continue her round-the-world cruise, had a near accident in Port yesterday morning.

A strong easterly wind pushed the ship from the breakwater towards the main quay of the Port, snapping the mooring line. The vessel drifted toward the s.s. Transilvania and a collision would have taken place had the heavy harbour tug not edged the Caronia to the Port entrance.

The ship's Master and the Port authorities agreed that the usual would mooring also not be despite the inconvenience to passengers.

## Cables in Brief

EXECUTION. — Five trade unionists, members of a group of nine anarchists sentenced to death by a Barcelona Court martial for murder and robbery, were executed by a firing squad in Barcelona early on Friday.

PLANT. — A Hydrogen bomb plant being built in South Carolina has been expanded to the point where it is now probably the largest industrial project ever attempted, the annual report of the Du Pont de Nemours Company said yesterday.

PILE. — Canada's atomic pile is by far the best in the world and likely to remain so for many years, Sir John Cockcroft, Director of Britain's atomic energy research establishment at Harwell, said in Ottawa on Friday.

DISSOLUTION. — A court in Heraklion, Crete, on Thursday dissolved the marriage between Costas Kefalchionis and Tassoula Petrakogeorgis, the girl he kidnapped two years ago, nearly causing a civil war in the island thereby.

PEDDLING. — Some 50 people are to be brought to court following the discovery of three German uranium peddling rings, Dusseldorf police announced on Friday.

LOCUSTS. — The technical advisory committee on locusts met in Rome on Friday to concert action against locusts sweeping over large areas of the Middle East.

TRADE. — U.S. exports to the USSR in 1951 amounted to $55,940 whereas imports from the Soviet Union reached the figure of $27,304,000 during the same period.

PROMOTION. — The Italian and Austrian Governments announced on Friday that they had decided to promote their diplomatic missions in each others capitals to the status of embassies.

CONFIRMATION. — The U.S. Senate on Thursday confirmed without debate or opposition President Truman's appointment of Mr. George F. Kennan as Ambassador to the USSR.

APPROVAL. — The French National Assembly on Thursday approved by 301 votes to 100 a bill enabling the Government to borrow more money from the Bank of France to run the country.

DEFEAT. — The Soviet Union was again defeated over the Chinese representation issue in the U.N. Trusteeship Council on Thursday.

DEPARTURE. — Admiral Carney, NATO's Commander in Southern Europe, on Friday left Ankara for Athens, after a short visit to the Turkish capital.

RESISTANCE. — Senior Lieut. Dumitru Pitarka, one of the Rumanian air force officers who landed in Belgrade on Thursday, has claimed that there are partisans active in the mountain regions of Rumania, carrying on warfare against the Government.

DEAD. — Sir Maurice Drummond Peterson, British Ambassador in Moscow from 1946 to 1949, died at his home at Kingsbury, London, yesterday at the age of 62.

## Doctors Vote Not To Join Histadrut

TEL AVIV, Saturday —Non-affiliation to the Histadrut and maintaining its independence was decided unanimously by the national conference of the Israel Medical Association which ended here tonight after a two-day session.

The conference voiced apprehension over inadequate food supplies. A special committee will be formed to report and to make recommendations to the Government periodically.

The conference represented the country's 3,500 doctors, one-third of whom are employed by Kupat Holim. It demanded that the Government immediately create of a Board of Health and a Chamber of Physicians with medical and Government representatives. The Board would be the final authority in public health matters and the Chamber a Supreme Court with jurisdiction in matters concerning the behaviour — other than criminal — of physicians. Other demands included the enlargement of the Medical School in Jerusalem and a more generous Government policy on the release of foreign currency for medical students abroad.

It was also resolved to create a post-graduate institute for the training of public health specialists.

Dr. M. Sherman was re-elected President of the Association, and Dr. Z. Avigdori, Chairman of the Central Council, with Dr. I. Izkovitch and Dr. M. Bikeles, as Vice-Chairmen.

Dr. H. Sheba, Director General of the Health Ministry, stressed the importance of cooperation between the Association and the Government and regretted that so very few doctors took an active interest in public affairs.


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From JESSE ZEL LURIE

ON Thursday, February 14, at Ocala, Florida, a few miles from the bombed cottage where Negro leader Harry Moore and his wife were murdered recently by unknown assailants, Walter Lee Irvin, a young Negro, was found guilty of the rape of a white woman. The jury deliberated for eighty three minutes — longer than usual for such cases in the South. The man was immediately sentenced to death in the electric chair, but the sentence will be stayed while his case is taken on appeal to the higher courts.

This is the second time in the 21 months since Lee Irvin and three other young Negroes were charged with this crime in Groveland, Florida, that he has been sentenced to die. He could have escaped the chair this time by pleading guilty. According to Fern Marja, star reporter of the "New York Post," intermediaries representing Florida's governor Fuller Warren who has been sensitive to northern reaction to the bombings in his state, offered young Irvin a life sentence if he would admit his guilt. The Negro refused.

### Afraid to Appeal

Of the other three accused of the same crime, one, Ernest Thomas, was killed by a posse during the riots following the rape complaint in which the Negro ghetto of Groveland was wrecked. Three stood trial and one, Charles Greenlee, was given life imprisonment because he was under sixteen. Now eighteen, he is afraid to appeal for fear of being "given the chair" at a new trial. The remaining two, Irvin and Samuel Shepherd, were sentenced to die but the convictions were vacated a few months ago by the U.S. Supreme Court and a new trial ordered. While transporting them from the state prison to Ocala for a motion on the new trial, Sheriff Willis V. McCall is alleged to have fired at his prisoners. Shepherd was killed but Irvin feigned death until others arrived on the scene. He was taken to a Jim Crow hospital where he recovered from his wounds.

At the second trial as at the first no evidence, medical or otherwise, except the word of the complainant, was introduced to show that she had been attacked.

The State's attorney put it simply to the jury of Florida "crackers." Either they believed the white woman or the Negro defendant. No southern jury has ever acquitted under these conditions. Still, they deliberated for 83 minutes. That might be called progress.

### Ku Klux Klan

Same-page-up against the Ku Klux Klan was received new support by the Posse: Bureau of Investigation. J. Edgar Hoover, the industrial head of the F.B.I. made the announcement himself in Washington.

Mr. Hoover said that his agents had arrested six men in Fort Bird, North Carolina, who allegedly terrorized the community that left in a series of lashings and floggings; attempts were made to induce one victim to confess to a lecture on morals and singing of hymns. The accused were the leaders of the K.K.K. Mr. Hoover stressed and he promised the operation with photographs of two of his men in full K.K.K. regalia holding a wicked-looking whip-like thing over bound victim and now face long wanted to get publicity, which was found in the ex-Klansman's home. The "New York Times" published the photo, on the top of its front page.

As for the beatings of Negroes and here in Florida, the F.B.I. spokesman said the "severe investigation (into K.K.K. activities there) are continuing" and "rumors that some arrests may be imminent."

Meanwhile the F.B.I. has asked for and reported full reports from the Florida police on the meaning of Hebrew "good" letters and swastikas appearing on two widely-separated parts of town. One is inhabited by people of German extraction and the other of Italian. In both cases, the swastikas were accompanied by widely-made crosses.

Philadelphia observers quickly seized on Florida of yesterday bearing Germans and Italians to remind the citizens of the Quaker City that Philadelphia's South Germantown is also populated by people of German and Italian extraction. In both cases, the swastikas appeared soon after the visit of Gerhart Eisler, the Communist agent who fled the country and the F.B.I. is said to be anxious to find the people who painted the swastikas.

## Round the Exhibitions

CONSTANT Joseph Constantinovsky's, whose one-man show at the Rezabi Museum will be open until March 20, is a sculptor of animals. Birds, cattle, deer, bears and cats are his favourite themes; wood, bronze, terracotta and stone his materials.

Constant is a sculptor of the "closed" form. Most of his animals are represented in repose. The attempt to catch rapid movement is never made, not even in bronze. He is akin to some Sculptors of the Far East, who strive for the basic silhouette and not for the notation of a fleeting impression. Like the Chinese, Constant develops his forms out of the shape of the material at his disposal. Sometimes he goes too far and the figure is forced into the incidental shape of the block.

His peacefully reclining bulls and cows, sheep and deer are excellent examples. There are his cocks and ducks in wood and bronze, but he again is a shape breaker here. The heavy strength of the bronze has found a better expression than the narrow tension of the pewter. Constant's sitting cat, a theme avoid since the days of the Pharaohs, is somewhat out of proportion. The essential lightness of backward gaze is not always caught.

Of Constant's interesting sketches, the drawings entitled "Bible" have come closest to the spirit and vigour in way for a question of temperament, the good-natured friends of man are obviously for darker and greater in Constant's heart.

Ceramic shows by Madame Cassuto are technically excellent, but somewhat gaudy and "In do, show in design. The Chagall exhibition (if my memory is correct) is the first show of a contemporary painter at the "Ecole de Paris" at the Rezabi Museum in the days gone by.

*TAF.M.*

### In Tel Aviv

At the Tel Aviv Museum Aharon Giladi is showing oil paintings, watercolours and drawings. He has not had a one-man show for sometime but his work is often seen at collective exhibitions. Most of the oils are scenes of kibbutz life, rendered with a certain dynamic power and with the figures very much simplified.

My choice fell on a small work "Young Boys in Africa" as the most satisfactory work. In his oil Giladi's remarkably swooping but the brushwork is less serious than usual. A couple of dozen pen-and-ink drawings are much better. He has used and finely and they show an eye quick to note the significant detail.

The other two shows in Tel Aviv, that of Zvorsky Bezalel at Mikra Studio and Nachlat Binyamin at the Ken Gallery, are the work of "week-end painters." Miss Bezalel shows the emphasis on design. Mr. Zvorsky on a subjective handling of paint. There is nothing of special interest in either show but Miss Bezalel's exhibition (open in Nachlat Binyamin) is well worth a good and is decidedly decorative.

*S.W.*

### Swedish Sculptor

WILLY Gorden, the Swedish sculptor whose work is currently on exhibition at the Artists Association Hall in Tel Aviv, has designed a modern art school for Haifa. He has received the full cooperation of the Haifa Municipality and the Mayor, Mr. Abba Khousky, for this project and it is hoped that the school will be built at the end of this year.

Mr. Gordon, who is 33 years old, emigrated with his parents from the Balkans to Sweden where he was a child. He studied in Stockholm and Paris and when he came to Israel last year, he was so impressed by the beauty of Haifa and the many possibilities the town offered in the field of the arts that he decided to ask his friends and colleagues in Sweden to help him establish an art centre there. The response was most encouraging: the philanthropist, H.G. Turitz, who visited Israel some time ago, and Per Gunwald, among others, are actively supporting the project.

The Academy will consist of wooden pavilions which will be designed in Sweden and brought to Israel. Art materials such as terracotta, stone plaster and wood will also be imported from Sweden.

Before returning to Sweden to make final arrangements for the school, Gordon will advise a company of Swedish stonemasons who are due to arrive in Israel next week. The company will shortly come to Jerusalem for a film based on the novel "Barabas" by the Swedish writer, Pars Lagerquist, who received the Nobel Prize for this work. Gordon is also the initiator and artistic adviser of three short films on Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa and Galilee, to be produced by the local Kolon Film Company.

*MANDO.*

One of the many Soyer posters now on exhibition in the Israel National Museum

## Radio Review

### Bible's Beauty

THE new series of Bible readings, immediately preceding the 8.30 news bulletin, is felicitous in conception and execution. The time of the programme ensures a wide audience. The simple reading provides us with five minutes of beauty and dignity, bringing us into contact with the words of the Bible for which we seldom have time in everyday life. The rendering by Shlomo Bertonov is superb and deserves the highest praise.

One reservation about this feature: The chapters to be read can seldom be covered in five minutes. Each day, we are told that the day's readings consist of two chapters of Ezekiel but the complement is not completed and the parts omitted are not made up. Thus, on the first day of the series, we heard Chapter I of Ezekiel, on the second day part of Chapter III, on the third day the previous programme overran and there was no reading so that on the fourth day we went on to Chapter VII. Kol Yisrael is currently broadcasting another serial — Vitechak Shenberg's "Sarachel" and would not conceivably broadcast alternate chapters which the listener would not be able to follow.

The same principle should be applied to the Bible readings — not all listeners have a Bible at home, while not all those who do possess the Bible are prepared to do homework. The remedy is simple. A logical pause can be found after four or five minutes reading, and the continuation on the following day should start from the very next verse.

Pick of next week's listening: Two works by Ernest Bloch — "Sacred Service" (today at 4 p.m. on the Second Programme) and Viola Sonata (Sunday at 10.30 p.m.); "The Glass Menagerie" presented by the Chamber Theatre (Monday at 9 p.m.); Dr. Fishlis Roses on "Oral Ethics in Israel" (Wednesday at 8.45); Mozart's "Requiem" (Wednesday at 10 p.m.).

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## Chess

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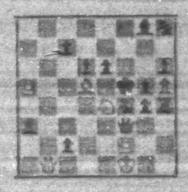

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GAME No. 359

White: Pirc — Black: Eliskasis
(Travemunde, 1951)

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NEWS

Romania.—In a ten-board match between Romania and Bulgaria, Romania scored 13½ points and Bulgaria 10½.

Germany.—An interesting match took place in Berlin between a local team and a selected team of East Germany. The local players demonstrated their superiority by winning three of the board match by 6½ to 3½. On the first board, Teschner (the new German champion) won both his games against Rotach, East Germany's top player.

Switzerland.—The Xmas tournament held in Lucerne was won by Unzicker (Germany) with a score of 6 points out of 7. France.—The Xmas tournament of Cercle Caissa ended with a joint victory of Belkadi and Turtshowez with 10 points each.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Black: Reshevsky
Kte6; Qd7; Rb6; Kte4; Pb6, g5.
White: Ortwich
Kg1; Qf1; Ra7; Ba1; Pa2, f2, g2, h2.

In the seemingly lost position (from a game in Hingham Veterans Tournament, Black continued 1.Rb1+, 2.Nb2 Rb1+! 3.Kxb1 Rg1+! 4.Fg Qxf2+ 5.Kg1—mate.

## ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM 400 M., HAIFA 260 M., TEL AVIV 41.0, 31.5 & 522 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m. (immediately 8.30 a.m.), 7.00 a.m., 12.00 (N.), 4.30, 6.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (Monday News): 6.00 a.m., 1.45 and 6.45 p.m.

TODAY

6.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R), 11.00 Music (R), 12.02 Programme for Hospitals, 12.30 Ballet Music (R), 1.45 Bach for Music (R), 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Nabbers Stories, 4.30 Children's Hour, 5.00 Classical Requests Programme, 7.00 Programme Announcements, 7.10 BBC Yiddish Orchestra (R), 7.40 The Financial Scene, 8.00 Community Singing, 8.30 Bible Reading, 8.45 Story, 9.00 Friday Night Concert: Marine Programme: Hans Chlopec is a Bar mother Chamber Orchestra in A major Rapsodie for Tenorsax Wind Instruments, 10.00 Melodies (R), 11.05 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.00 a.m. Service, 7.5 Melodies, 8.40 Light Music (R), 9.00 Morning Concert: Berlin No. 3 (Bach) "Hungarian Dance Queen" (Mendelssohn) — Orpheus (Stravinsky), 9.45 Musical Quiz, 10.10 Literary Corner, 11.00 Concert Hall: Prelude Interlude (Dallapiccola) Belled for Piano & Orchestra (Prayer) Symphony No. 1 (Schumann), 11.50 Polka Programme, 12.00 — Repeat (R), 1.00 "Theatre & Film," 1.45 Camera Recordings (R), 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Light Music, 4.20 Light Music (R), 4.45 Excerpts from Rossini's "The Barber of Seville" (R), 7.00 Programme Announcements, 7.10 "In the World of Art & Culture," 7.40 Hebrew Poetry, 7.55 Quiz, 8.15 Bible Reading, 8.30 Quartet in Amsterdam, 9.0 Bach, 9.15 Bible Reading, 9.30 Opera, 9.40 Melodic Media, 9.50 Folk Dances (R), 10.00 Pop Arts Dances, 11.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

400 m., 375, 43.0 m.

English News, 1.00 a.m., 10.30 p.m., Friday 7.00 p.m.

Today: 4.00 p.m. "Arnon Hakodesh" (Block), 4.45 50th Anniversary of the Israel Medical Association, 5.00 Programme for Yemenites, 5.20 Close Down.

Tomorrow: 4.00 p.m. Music of Our Time (R), 4.40 Pre-Classical Music, 5.00 Cycle of World Poetry, 5.20 Legends, 5.30 Children's Hour, 6.30 Programme for the Working Women, 6.45 Close Down.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.1 M.): 11.15 a.m. Reading & Legends, 11.30 "The People of the Books" by M. Ungar, 11.45 Spotlight Tomorrow, 11.15 Classic Tales, 11.30 Intelligent from the Press, 11.45 Requests.

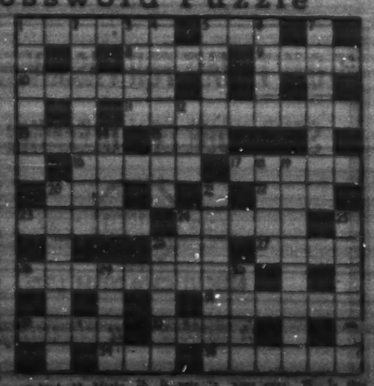
B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS

30.53 & 41.05 M.): 6.30 p.m. News, 6.40 News Talk, 6.45 Branch Abroad, Tomorrow: 6.30 News, 6.40 Jewish Affairs, 6.45 Focus on Israel Affairs.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (220, 225 and 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements, 6.35 Bible Reading, 6.45 Friday Night Concert: Works by Mendelssohn, 7.17 Hagana Stories, 7.30 This Week's Events, 7.45 "Tosca" (Puccini), 8.05 From the World of Music, 8.00 The Camp Dances, 10.20 Close Down. Tomorrow: 6.30 p.m. Story of a Film, 7.00 Variety, 7.30 Today's Events, 7.35 Works by Ravel, 8.30 Questions & Answers, 8.45 Dance Music, 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 6.45-10 p.m. (11.05, 16.85, 19.91, 19.63 and 25.64 M. from 15.5 R., 21.30 and 41.25 from Tangier.)

## Crossword Puzzle

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## Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR"

A NEW specre is haunting the world, the specre of bacteriological warfare. According to North Korean and Chinese charges, 18 different forms of germs have been dropped by American planes over North Korea causing epidemics of plague, cholera and other diseases. The American Secretary of State has demanded that an international investigation be carried out by the Red Cross, but, as could have been expected, this proposal was rejected by the Communist commanders.

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LET us admit it at once: we have no independent source of information. We have no means of determining whether plague-infested rats were actually dropped over North Korea or whether Catholic nuns in China have in fact killed hundreds of thousands of Chinese children, as has been alleged. An observer writing at a distance of ten thousand kilometres can only note the startling resemblance between such charges and similar claims made in the early Middle Ages. In Mayence 12,000 Jews were burned alive in 1349. They had been accused of spreading plague by poisoning the wells and practicing black magic. This was not an isolated case: many thousands of Jews and non-Jews were killed during the Middle Ages, victims of the most absurd suspicions. As late as 1630 Guglielmo Piazza, commissioner of health in Milan, was observed walking down the street writing from an ink-horn at his belt and wiping his ink-stained fingers against walls of houses. After being denounced and tortured, he confessed to having spread a disease, meanwhile incriminating a barber and an army officer, who in turn also confessed their guilt.

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PEOPLE did not know at that time that diseases were spread by germs, but witches and scapegoats are needed now as they were then, and certain modern police chiefs are no less efficient in the extraction of confessions than were the authorities in the Middle Ages. In 1936 Tchernov, former people's commissar of agriculture, was accused in the Bukharin trial of having sabotaged the Five Year Plan by spreading germs of hog's cholera and erysipelas which killed tens of thousands in the Rostov region and elsewhere. Dr. Ernst Ascher, a physician of German-Jewish origin in the Saratov region, was tortured with and confessed to having inoculated his patients with syphilis spirochaetae. These cases were typical rather than isolated incidents during 1936-38.

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PRESENT events in Korea should be viewed in an historical perspective. We are told in Samuel 1.5 how the plague smit 50,000 Philistines in Bet Shemesh and more in Ekron and Ashdod. But the Philistines were a backward people who lacked the scholastic training of the Middle Ages, nor were they acquainted with the dialectical methods of modern times by which disease can be used as a weapon in propaganda warfare. One should not be over-optimistic with regard to the progress of mankind in the last six hundred years. Black magic and witch hunts have been brought up-to-date, today the approach is "scientific." As there will be no international investigation of the Communist charges, the belief in bacteriological warfare will become another article of faith of our modern crusaders.

*Jerusalem, March 14.*

### LAST MINUTE LOSS

A thrilling last minute rally gave the French Army a 46-45 triumph over the Israel Army in their first basketball game in Paris Thursday night in the presence of the Israel Minister, Mr. Maurice Fischer, a representative of the French General Staff and foreign military attaches.

## Connally Raps U.S. Aid Bill

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Senator Tom Connally, Democratic Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, directed sharply yesterday that the U.S. "cannot go on forever appropriating large sums of money" for the European nations.

He was challenging Mr. Averell Harriman, Mutual Security Director, who gave the Committee details of President Truman's new $7,500m. foreign aid programme.

"The U.S. cannot go on forever appropriating large sums of money for the United Kingdom, France and other countries if they are not willing to defend themselves," Mr. Connally declared. He also criticised the recent $60m. economic aid grant to Britain, saying the Administration had abused the provisions of last year's aid bill and the money should never have been given.

Mr. Harriman was questioned the most searchingly by Senator Connally, who, with Senator Vandenberg, is the leader of the Republicans. Mr. Connally said it is supposed to be assistance and no matter what you call it, instead of giving (an economic aid programme) we are adding the dollar. Mr. Harriman replied that it was not a dollar, but a method of building up military security.

Director General Theodore Geiger said there had been criticism in many of the Marshall Plan countries that all the benefits of U.S. aid had gone to rearmament. There was a general complaint that the workers received no direct benefits. Mr. Harriman said that the workers had improved their conditions better than the workers. Funds for national food security taken from the counterpart fund, the collection, policies and it was hoped there would be a better distribution of the benefits.

Senator Connally said he was sure that the French worker does not get as valuable a share of the national income as some other classes. He said: "But the French worker has improved his conditions since the days of the Marshall Plan."

### Agreed to Share

Mr. Harriman said that the NATO countries had agreed on the principle that the burden of rearmament should be shared by all citizens of their peoples. He would not suggest to them that they should increase their tax burdens to the point where it was trying to infringe the policies of some countries in this regard.

Senator Green asked if he would not be feasible, which gave the impression that he was delivered under the Mutual Security Programme to an army of mercenaries or to a foreign power, regardless of the interests of the countries.

Mr. Harriman said he did not know. Asked if the U.S. did not have a contract which would enable it to use troops for Congress to protest on whatever or foreign and explained.

Mr. Harriman said the Committee that allocations under the heading of "Defence support" would follow the Korean pattern, which means that the money would be allocated among the countries of the original NATO alliance and Italy, Greece, Germany, Turkey, Austria and Yugoslavia. This would make a total of $1,000m. of defence support for Europe.

## Draper Confirmed As 'Aid Ambassador'

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Senate has confirmed Mr. William H. Draper as Special Ambassador in Europe for the foreign aid programme.

It also confirmed Mr. Frederick Anderson, retired air force general, as ambassador to Rome with the rank of Ambassador. Other diplomatic appointments confirmed included Mr. W. J. Ranney, as to be Deputy Director of Mutual Security under Mr. Averell Harriman, Mr. James Clement Dunn as to be Ambassador to France, Mr. Anthony Marshall as to be Ambassador to Italy and Mr. Cavendish W. Cannon to be Ambassador to Portugal.

## Wilson Charges U.S. Imposing Armament

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Harold Wilson, leading left-winger in the Labour Party, today charged the U.S. with putting pressure on Europe to adopt rearmament programmes beyond her economic capacity.

He said U.S. had expanded too much on approval by her military leaders, that the U.S. did not recognise Britain's position as a member of the Commonwealth and that some Americans would like to see the sterling area broken up.

Mr. Wilson, an economist, resigned his post as President of the Board of Trade in the Labour Government last year to support Mr. Aneurin Bevan's opposition to his Party's official approval of the big rearmament scheme.

"Marshall aid was not the most memorable decision taken in international order," he said today. "Yesterday the only countries asked to a joint conference were those who were the recipients of U.S. aid. Now they are asked to a joint conference with the recipients of U.S. aid. I think it is far wrong to say that has been caused by the U.S. or that it was intended to say that. Nevertheless the impression is created that the economic policy of the United States is being imposed on the rest of the world."

Mr. Wilson said the decision of Schuman, Adenauer and Spaak to set up a European Defence Community was taken without consultation with the Brussels Labour party leaders or the rearmament issue.

In his official speech the Prime Minister said he was not for unilateral action by Britain, but was for a joint approach with other Commonwealth countries.

Mr. Wilson said the Brussels Treaty was better than the NATO alliance and "the most effective means of keeping Germany out of the Russian orbit."

He said the relations of the three nations would finish in about ten years.

## Proposed Israel Grant To Be More Than $70m.

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — Israel is scheduled to receive a share of the $100m. earmarked for technical aid to the Middle East and of the $400,000,000 for military aid, in addition to the $70m. proposed for the relief and resettlement of refugees in Israel, the Mutual Security Agency announced yesterday.

The statement said that the Israel economy was "faced with serious difficulties, due in part to efforts to establish a modern state while integrating immigrants in large numbers from diverse cultural backgrounds. It is obvious that technical aid cannot by itself provide a solution to Israel's economic problems, but experience to date suggests it can succeed in its specific objectives, namely to aid in reducing the present economic crisis and to contribute significantly towards developing and increasing productivity."

The statement said that technical aid would be given in the form of experts, equipment and training facilities.

## Joseph Says Compulsory Loans in Offing

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — Compulsory loans higher taxes, the reduction of purchasing power and of foreign currency imports to a minimum will be among the Government's forthcoming emergency measures, Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Commerce, told a Mapai meeting at Ashdot Yaacov today. Consumption of luxury goods would be forbidden and banking credit restricted, he said. Our resources would be directed towards increasing agricultural output, developing export industries and the search for natural resources. The telegraph and telephone of ordinary users in towns, and immigrant settlements would soon have to wait, since Rehovot and Beersheba and agricultural settlements would have to take these orders.

The Government would before forth, balance the Ordinary and Defence budgets from the revenue, and Dr. Joseph stated tax payers not to pay every [illegible] abroad.

## Swiss Investors Due For Oil Talks

Representatives of a group of Swiss investors interested in carrying out test drilling for oil in Israel, is due to arrive here this week to negotiate with Government representatives, the position was reported in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Oil Laws, setting out the legal questions of granting prospecting for test drillings and the production of oil with already approved in principle by the Cabinet, will be ready in two weeks and after final approval by the Cabinet will be tabled by the Knesset. The licences can be granted to companies before the law is approved by the Knesset.

## Progress Made In Anglo-U.S. Stand On Russian Note

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden said today that progress has been made in the Anglo-American stand on the Russian note.

Mr. Eden said: "We are in close touch with our American friends and Mr. Dean, acting Secretary of State, arrives in London on Monday morning from Paris."

Discussions on a reply to Moscow will continue on Monday at the Foreign Office when French Ambassador René Massigli will also attend.

Meanwhile, reports from Washington said the Russian proposal "with little good in it" will make a strong effort to persuade the other Big Three to drop the idea of discussing German elections which could form a basis for Germany's entry into Western defence.

(In Bonn last night the Foreign Ministry said it was not known if Russian note was a basis for discussion.) (UP, Reuter.)

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S., British and French on Thursday night responded to the Soviet note on Germany's rearmament. The note, which was delivered to the Allied Commissions in Berlin by the Russians, proposed a meeting of the Big Four Foreign Ministers to discuss a treaty for the reunification of Germany and the conclusion of a peace treaty with Germany.

The Allied notes, which were identical, proposed that the Foreign Ministers should meet to discuss the Russian note. The Allied notes also proposed that the Russian note should be discussed in the Allied Commission in Berlin, which is the only place where Germany's four occupying powers meet.

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## Blaustein Confers On Eve of Talks

NEW YORK, Saturday. — Mr. Jacob Blaustein, President of the American Jewish Committee and a member of the Presidium of the conference of Jewish Material Claims against Germany, flew to London yesterday to confer with representatives of the Israel Government and a group of experts on Jewish claims against Germany.

Mr. Blaustein said they would also discuss the declaration of non-Israel claims against Germany, after which they would go to Brussels on March 23 to begin actual negotiations with the Bonn Government.

(In London, a source close to the Israel delegation confirmed the talks will open on March 23 despite reports to the contrary.)

Mr. Blaustein said the chance of an early Jewish settlement with Germany was "very remote." He said the Jewish claims had been presented to the U.S., the Three Allied High Commissioners, the American Jewish Committee. He said the chances of the Jewish nation would finish in about ten years.

## Greeks Defy U.S. On Election System

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## Italian Envoy Returns For Sharett Talks

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Italian Minister to Israel, Marquis Raimondo Guastaini, flew to Rome yesterday to participate in the discussions between Italian Premier Alcide de Gasperi and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, which are to begin next week. The Minister had been summoned to Rome by the Italian Foreign Ministry.

Mrs. Sharett also left by air for Rome yesterday for a series of social functions to be given there on the occasion of her husband's visit.

The Prague Slovak Communist [illegible] Bratislava for another year's imprisonment for eight years in Bratislava. He allegedly was sentenced in March. (UP.)

## BEGIN AGAIN THREATENS CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

HAIFA, Saturday. — If demonstrations against recent tax rises with the changing [illegible] of [illegible] Ben Gurion [illegible] to [illegible] Begin said today. "If the Government [illegible] the [illegible] Gurion [illegible] Begin said [illegible] "We shall not pay [illegible] to the Government [illegible] the money will go [illegible] the waste paper basket. The [illegible] Begin declared. The [illegible] participated in breaking [illegible] he said.

## Malik Charges, Cohen Denies U.S. Employing Bacteria

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Russia yesterday accused the U.S. of "employing bacteriological warfare" in Korea and China and asked the Permanent Committee immediately this "violation of the prohibition of germ warfare."

The Soviet delegate, Mr. Jacob Malik, told the Sub-Committee of the Disarmament Commission that germ warfare was "designed to destroy the mass extermination of the civilian population." He asked if Mr. Benjamin Cohen, U.S. delegate, already had received the Russian delegate's statement was "unsupported and unsubstantiated charges." He asked "the Secretary of State and other Government officials and Red Cross to investigate these charges and let their fidelity be known. We have asked for an impartial investigation."

Speaking for the Ukrainian delegation, Mr. Lozan said the U.S. is employing "gangsters" in Soviet charges.

Mr. Malik, previously accused Mr. Acheson, on March 25, The Soviet delegate said that the U.S. Secretary of State had [illegible] "[illegible] [illegible] the Soviet Union, U.S. [illegible] of bacteriological warfare against Korea and China." The Soviet Union would [illegible] other countries, [illegible] U.S.S.R. and the U.S. or any other country." [illegible]

Mr. Malik declared Mr. Acheson had made over [illegible] or original, but should be [illegible] the work of the Nuremberg Tribunal. He said the Nuremberg Tribunal [illegible] the service of aggressive [illegible] in a manner not according to [illegible] Nuremberg Tribunal [illegible] Mr. Malik said [illegible] "I continue to believe that the military [illegible] is the only [illegible] (Reuter, UP.)

## Communists Allege New U.N. 'Atrocity'

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — Communist newspapers of the Korean Union today carried a report that the death of 13 Communist prisoners on the Korean island of Koje was the result of a U.N. army plot. The newspapers said the Communists were "massacred by machine gun bullets."

Twelve of the Communist prisoners were killed early today and another by the Communists were killed by the U.N. forces.

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## Cables in Brief

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## Reuters Sets Up Jap Bureau

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## 5 PUSANG DEATHS

HAMPUTA, Saturday. — Three members of the Red Cross here, died of [illegible] in Pusang in Korea.

The dead were David Ko[illegible], Mr. Shaw, Mr. [illegible] and Mr. [illegible].

## More Immigrants From Rumania

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# HERUT DEFIANCE

ISRAEL music in Brussels reparations talks are due to begin between Israel Government representatives and delegates of the leading Jewish organizations in America and Europe, and Western Germany authorities. Outside Israel, all authoritative Jewish bodies have approved of the negotiations that are expected to lead to a form of tribute for the Jewish wealth that they had looted or destroyed. Without accepting payment as anything but an expression of repining on the part of the West German Government, as reflected in Dr. Adenauer's public recantation last September, the Knesset gave the Government of Israel the necessary powers to conduct reparation negotiations. The Israel and German Governments have agreed that the meetings leading to a settlement should not be held on German soil, and the free world is now waiting to see whether the German amends will begin to correspond to the enormity of the Hitlerite crime, or begin to offer collective restitution for life and property it consumed. All rational people are agreed that the least to be exacted from Germany is an amount equal to the cost of settling on Israel soil those of the survivors of the Nazi holocaust who have been brought here.

The Herut Party which failed to intimidate the Knesset, has pilloried all those who voted to empower the Government to explore what lies behind German contrition and intention. Their daily newspaper has been inciting to demonstrations on the day the talks begin. Mr. Begin has spoken openly and seditiously, in a letter to the Minister of Interior, of his Party's "experience" in defying authority. His plans for the protest demonstrations are a flamboyant call to violence. He can only hope to recoup by disturbance of the public peace what he has lost in personal prestige. Herut in Parliamentary strength, and his Party in following. If he succeeds in none of these, he counts on the perverted satisfaction of embroiling the country in civic commotion, of engaging the energies of the authorities in preserving internal security, of provoking, if possible, civil disobedience.

Obligingly Mr. Begin has made public at least part of his blueprint. The Government would be failing in its plain duty if it did not take seriously the threatened defiance of this adolescent Putchism and did not get to nip it in the bud. The Government has the Knesset behind it, and behind the Knesset is arrayed a public alienated by Herut exhibitionism.

## Yesterday's Press Review
## Public Must Not Tolerate Another Herut Riot

"The fascist elements of the democracy whose coup failed miserably seventeen weeks ago wish to try their luck again," says "Davar" (Histadrut) about the reported plan of the Herut Party to demonstrate against the start of reparations talks with Germany. The public, especially the working class, must show that these riots will not be tolerated, that our democratic regime is deeply rooted and that the people are willing to defend it, the paper declared.

"Herut" on the other hand, accuses Mapai of "enlisting its supporters to prevent Herut demonstrations" against the reparation talks.

"Hatzofeh" (General Zionist) protests to see a dangerous precedent in the reply of the Minister of Police to a General Zionist MK that the police might utilize the help of "public bodies" to restore order. The paper opposes both the reparation talks and also demonstrations by Herut and believes that the police are strong enough to deal with any possible incidents without the help of "public bodies."

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) commenting on the Jewish Agency Executive meeting, demands that the Zionist General Council be called into session immediately to deal with, and not merely, with immigration and other important problems.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) says broadening the Agency by including non-Zionists may be interpreted as a sign that relations with Zionists abroad are deteriorating. The paper proposes that non-Zionists should share the responsibility for building the country. Prime Minister Ben Gurion, however, need not ask them to participate in the leading local Zionist bodies, since the non-Zionists themselves are not very interested in such rights.

### CITRUS PRICES UP

Higher prices for oranges and grapefruit become effective today, it was announced yesterday. The fruit will sell for 70 pruta a kilogram in most areas, and for 85 pruta a kilogram in Jerusalem and certain parts of the north and south.

## FOOTBALL SCORES

The results of yesterday's football matches are as follows:

FOOTBALL LEAGUE
First Division
Tel Aviv Mac. 2 Petah Tikva Mac. 0
Ayshalom
Tel Aviv Hapoel 1 Rishon LeZion Hapoel 0
Maccabi 0
Haifa Hapoel 6 Rishon LeZion Maccabi 0
Second Division
Lehavim Mac. 1 Nes Ziona Mac. 1
Kfar Gan Mac. 0 Jerusalem Hapoel 7
Sedeirot Hapoel 7 Haifa Dag. Yafo 2

### RESIGNED

Mr. Yosef Kimor has resigned as Business Manager of The Jerusalem Post after 13 years of service, with effect from March 15.

## Entertainments

JERUSALEM
11, 20-23 10 Film Shows of Israel. Know Beyrouth Hotel Office.

TEL AVIV
7 & 9.30 p.m. "Li-Le-Le Blues" by Le-Le Theatre. Jaffa Relief Hall.
8 p.m. "Of Mice and Men" Chamber Theatre Magnes Hall.

HAIFA
11-2, 4-8. Exhibition and Sale of Works in Art and Handicraft (1948-1951). The Museum of Ret. Haifa Municipality (Bat Galim).
REPERTORY CINEMA 10.30 & 8.30
KEROEM Adam's Rib.
RAMON Jackie Robinson.
HEMDAH Story My Love.
OREN Duffer.
MIFRAZIM Ninety Gate Tel Tower.
STUDIO Ride a Wonderful.
ZION Tempo Prague.

# MUSICAL DIARY

THE Sixth I.P.O. Subscription Concert, conducted by Alceo Galliera, at the Edison Theatre last Thursday, opened with Beethoven's Second Symphony. This symphony, which, except for the beautiful second movement, is not one of the Beethoven's best, was performed with great dynamism. Yehudi Wagner was the soloist for Rachmaninoff's Rhapsody on a theme by Paganini for piano and orchestra. He played this difficult piece in an absorbing way, with a sublime touch and refined shading. Stravinsky's "Firebird" suite, dazzling in colour and vitality, with the rapturous climax to this programme.

### Paris Programme

Yisrael's Tuesday Night Concert, conducted by S. Pershko, had a fine start with Overture to Paris Soldier tunes and Parisian music, the programme full of music from Offenbach, Saint Saens, Ravel (Valse), and A. Wolf-Ferrari (Serenade). Mr. Pershko in the grim and dour tones of the Soldier's "Waltz Queen," Ravel's "Laideur Perfide" and Fritz Kreisler's "Tambourin Chinois" and "Liebeslied," Gounod and his Horn Mr. Pershko's arrangement of Franck-Chaubert's "Sour Wine" and Offenbach's Barcarolle were the outstanding highlights of the programme.

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### In Tel Aviv

At the "normal" concert of the I.P.O. at the Ohel Shem on Sunday, Mordechai Sandak conducted a Haydn Symphony, Mozart's Violin Concerto in D (Shem Ran with the element of the central theme of the first movement was prominent throughout, the latter supplied from time to time by the woodwind, Shem at one stage taking up the melodic phrase of which it is one of the ornaments) and Beethoven's Fifth. Sandak's interpretation of Haydn's work was lively in style and vigorous.

The Chamber Orchestra of Tel Aviv, conducted by Alceo Galliera, gave a fine performance of Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3 in G, Mozart's Divertimento in D (K. 136) and Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" with Yehudi Wagner as soloist in the violin solo. Galliera's interpretations were marked by great vitality and rhythmic drive, and the orchestra responded with playing of great precision and delicacy.

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Yesterday Partly cloudy with possible rain [illegible]
At Jerusalem yesterday at 6 p.m. E7 Mean pressure [illegible] Humidity yesterday 57 Humidity today, unchanged today.

Mr. Levi Eshkol, Minister of Agriculture, will introduce at 5.00 yesterday evening in the Ohel Shem [illegible] in Israel [illegible] on the work of their ministries.

[illegible] of sheep that escaped in Haifa were captured on Friday in the vicinity of Nahalal.

[illegible] workers are to be dismissed by the Israel Railways as part of the programme to shorten [illegible] staff services.

A course for teachers of traffic laws and safety measures in the schools begins at 4 o'clock today at the Israel School in Jerusalem.

The May issue of the Ministry of Labour's "Labour Bulletin" contains articles on national social insurance, housing services, roads and food.

A Turkish delegation has opened in Haifa on Thursday in the presence of visitors including Mr. N. Verlinsky, General Manager of Tnuva.

A committee investigating the laying of a railway line to Eilath toured the Arabah and Eilath on Thursday.

## Prefabricated Hospitals

HAIFA, Saturday. — Two prefabricated hospitals, with accommodation for 100 beds each, which were ordered by Malben, arrived here yesterday from Finland, packed in 15,000 cases.

## IL.12,000 Fire Damage

HAIFA, Saturday. — Damage estimated at IL.12,000 was caused by a fire which broke out in the courtyard of the Hameyaper rubber factory in the Bayside area here on Thursday night. All the equipment and rubber stocks stored in the yard were destroyed.

Fire brigades fought the flames until 6 a.m. yesterday. The fire is believed to have been caused by some rubber igniting during processing.

### HUT BURNED

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A wooden hut was gutted in the Kfar Nahman *ma'bara* near Kfar Saba last night. The hut, owned by Nachum Matzliach, caught fire when a kerosene stove overturned.

## RATION NEWS

TEL AVIV — Greens: 250 grams. Yed 24, visitors: 60, zones 9, 10, 11, 12. Bananas: Aleph, one kilo; Bet, Gimel, Dalet and Heh, 250 grams. Yed 8, visitors: 48, zones 1, 2, 3. 250 grams a kilo. Potatoes: one kilo. Yed 18, visitors: 37, zones 1 to 7: 70 grams a kilo. Cabbage: 250 grams. Yed 17, visitors: 32, zones 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. Cauliflower: 250 grams. Kaf 14, visitors: 49. Garlic: 50 grams. Kaf 4, zones 3, 4, 5.
HAIFA and SAMARIA DISTRICT — Sugar: (March ration). Aleph, 1,500 grams; others, one kilo. Aleph 12, visitors: 2. Laundry soap: (March and April rations). Aleph, two cakes; others, one cake. 304. Toilet soap: (March ration): Aleph, two cakes; others, one cake. 288, visitors: 11.

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## P.M. Visits New Sugar Beet Plant

RAMAT GAN, Saturday. — Prime Minister David Ben Gurion yesterday visited a factory under construction here which is planned to provide 10 per cent of the country's annual sugar needs. Production is to start in April, 1953. The capacity will be 2,700 tons a year.

The promoters, the Bejerano Brothers, told Mr. Ben Gurion it would take 10 years to make the country self-sufficient in sugar, but the Prime Minister answered: "I'm sure you can do it in five."

Sugar beets are being grown experimentally on 3,000 dunams in various parts of the country.

Mr. Ben Gurion, who also inspected the Shell oil refinery plant and the cigarette factory also operated by the Bejerano Brothers, heard complaints by a spokesman of the workers.

He said his office was open to anyone with a complaint. The Prime Minister told the workers that their association always would be assured, but that increased production and more exports were the urgent solution to the problem.

The visit was made by the Prime Minister included Mr. Yehiel Ofri who had served with him in the Jewish Legion in World War I.

## Order Nisi On Land Expropriation

An order nisi against the Minister of Finance was issued by the High Court on Friday calling on him to show cause why he should not retract an order expropriating land owned by Dr. M. Neuman along the Kishon River.

Dr. Neuman claimed that the Finance Minister could not have known in detail which plots are needed to facilitate the Kishon River Development Project when the expropriation order was issued, since no plan had been approved officially.

It was also argued that the land in question is not at the present stage of the plan, in the area affected by the broadening of the river bed.

Claiming that the Government already has more land than it needs, Dr. Neuman also alleged that the company to be formed with local and foreign capital to implement the project intends to sell and lease land requisitioned in the area.

## Suspected Currency Smuggling

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. — A suspected currency smuggling ring was uncovered yesterday when frontier police here searched a resident returning from South Africa. Dozens of letters instructing the man to make payment to people in all parts of the country were allegedly found in a search of the man's belongings. The traveller, whose identity is being kept secret, was detained.

## Last Submissions As Zealots Trial Closes

Further rabbinical testimony marked Friday's session of the zealots' trial in the Jerusalem District Court as the case moved towards its close. After statements today by the four defendants, the Defence and Prosecution are to submit their final pleas.

The present stage of the proceedings, in which the rabbis have testified, is directed at fixing the punishment for the defendants, who have already pleaded guilty to from 10 to 22 charges.

When the Court President, Dr. Benjamin Halevi, pointed out that to forgive the accused because of their religious motives, in line with the rabbinical views presented, might justifiably encourage political parties or other groups with deep convictions to use force to impose their will, Rabbi Yosef Marabech, Director of the Kol Torah Yeshiva, replied: "The defendants' actions were rooted in a desire to uphold the Torah, the basic Law. The behaviour of the hypothetical party would not be based on such a law, but would emanate only from a political view."

## 4 Thieves Sentenced

HAIFA, Saturday. — Each member of a a four-man gang, which, in January dismantled wheels, tyres, radios and other accessories from parked cars, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on eight charges by the Magistrates Court here yesterday.

They are E. Weiner, 32; H. Cohen, 28; Y. Hecht 27 and Z. Walder, 27. A charge of breaking into and stealing from the Windsor Hotel here has been transferred to the District Court.

### SKULL BONES FOUND

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Part of a human skull wrapped in a daily paper dated February 22, 1952, was found yesterday by Mr. Pinhas Kishner, of 229 Rehov Dizengoff here, in Gan Hadassah. It is being studied by the police laboratory.

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## Independence Day

Though Jerusalem will again be the centre of the Independence Day celebrations on April 12, the main Army parade is being planned for Tel Aviv. Smaller parades will be held in other towns. Instead of the parade, an Army sports festival on the eve of the celebrations is scheduled for the capital, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

The days before Independence Day are to be devoted to festivities in the suburbs.

The "Parade of Achievements" is to start from Jaffa on the eve of Independence Day, passing Ramle, Lydda, the German settlements and arriving in Jerusalem on noon of Independence Day.

The festivities will end with the Annual Independence Day Ball of the Jerusalem Journalists' Association.

### FIRED INTO AIR

JAFFA, Saturday. — A Ministry of Commerce inspector, Avraham Reich, fired into the air yesterday when a crowd tried to prevent him from questioning a vendor who was allegedly selling chocolate in Rehov Hustrus here. In the ensuing scuffle, the vendor disappeared. Three persons were detained.

## ALLEGED RAPE

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — A four-year old girl was allegedly raped yesterday by an unknown person near the Eden Cinema here. Her parents, who live nearby, reported to the police that a man took the girl to a building under construction nearby and there committed the crime.

### EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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## Europe Economic Body Discusses E.-W. Trade

GENEVA, Saturday (Reuter). — The Economic Commission for Europe yesterday set up a seven-nation working party to examine steps to be taken by the Commission's anti-Marshall Islands Conference East-West European trade.

Countries on the working party are the USSR, Poland, France, Denmark, Hungary, Britain and Greece. The working party will report tomorrow or Monday to the Commission.

In today's discussion on trade, most Western delegates said that lists of import needs and export availabilities should be made known before any East-West meeting be called, while most Eastern delegates favoured calling a meeting to which delegates could bring their lists.

Earlier in the debate, the Polish delegate, Mr. Julius Katz-Suchy, said Assembly was "the third room" in East-West trade discussions. "In almost all such trade talks," he said, "we of the East have made offers and then asked for what we wanted in exchange. Our West European counterpart then scratched his head and said he must ask the third room."

## Acheson Attacks Moscow Conference

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said yesterday the International Economic Conference in Moscow next month was "spurious."

It was an acknowledgement of the growing effectiveness of the Western programme to build up defensive strength and prevent the further growth of the Soviet war machine, he claimed.

In a statement made in response to enquiries received by the State Department about the Conference, Mr. Acheson said its purpose was to organize pressure against restrictions on the export of strategic materials to the Soviet bloc.

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## Social & Personal

Mr. David Hacohen, Minister Plenipotentiary of the Prime Minister's Office, has returned to his post after a short absence caused by illness.

The Polish Consul General in Israel opened an exhibition of Polish Art in Netanya yesterday, showing the work of Polish youth in Lodzkie Kibbutz during the Nazi occupation. The exhibition was arranged by the Central Youth Organization of Hashomer Hatzair.

Mr. Hans Rosenfeld, the ambassador, and Mrs. Rosenfeld arrived by plane from Stockholm yesterday morning. Mr. Rosenfeld is to conduct the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in a series of concerts.

Mr. Ra'anan Weitz, Director of the Jewish Agency's Colonization Department, left by air for Vienna on Friday to attend the International Conference on Migration that started yesterday.

Mr. Johanan Morse flew on Friday to take up his duties as First Secretary in the Legation.

Mr. Ram Yaron left for Chicago by air on Friday to assume the post of Consul there.

Mr. and Mrs. Inigo Shepherd, of London, leaders in the Joint Palestine Appeal drive and other Israel activities, were at the Eden Hotel in Jerusalem over the weekend.

An exhibition of posters by Mr. Miguel Grondman, was opened at the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem yesterday.

MARRIAGE
KOLLEK—MISROCH
The marriage took place in New York on Saturday, March 8, 1952, of Mr. Yossi Kollek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mordechai Kollek, Abava Heifa, of Miss Yona Misroch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Avery Misroch, Mt. Carmel, Haifa.

### THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN

There seems to be a general feeling that the lack of politeness and the rough manners in the transport service is due mainly to the drivers.

Have you ever asked yourself — as a traveller — what part you play in creating this atmosphere?

Have you ever realized that the man who drives the bus is doing hard work and is not made of steel — but of flesh and blood like yourself — with the same nervous system and self-respect?

Have you ever thought about the driver's difficulties? His work is hard and makes him nervous. He bears the responsibility for thousands of lives.

On the other hand, the travelling public, continually grumbles, speaks hundreds of different languages, comes from many different countries and is made up of people with different backgrounds and characteristics. For the most part the driver's appeals to the public are like a man crying out in the desert — and a flood of abuse is all he receives in return.

If you take an interest in these things you may hear about cases of drivers being attacked and beaten up — incidents which occur daily on the footworn roads of our country.

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## ISRAEL DEFENCE FORCES — GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

### DEFENCE SERVICE LAW — 1949
### CALL UP OF RESERVES

By virtue of the power vested in me in accordance with Para 7 (Gimmel) of the Defence Service Law 1949, I hereby order every Reserve soldier attached to a unit of the Israel Defence Forces Reserves, to report for service with the Reserves as follows:

1. A soldier in the Reserves whom this call up for service concerns and who had been informed by his commander or by an officer acting on his behalf that he belongs to one of the groups listed below, is hereby ordered to report for service with the Reserves on the date and time indicated to him by his commander or by an officer acting on his behalf.

Hereunder is a list of the groups, time and place for their report:

Today, Sunday, March 16, will report:
At 9 a..m.: Levinim Rehalim (רכבי לוינים)
At 9.30 a.m.: Anhor Mitnaytim (מנתיחי אנהר)
At 2.30 p.m.: Hatchalim Rehalim and All Reserve Tank units (טנקים רכבי [illegible])

2. A Reserve soldier whom this order concerns and who is unable to report of the place indicated to him by his commander or by an officer acting on his behalf on the date and at the time noted above, for reasons of being on the time of this order's publication too far from the place indicated to him or due to the place to which he must report, will report at once to the Town Major's office or the nearest military police post.

SECRETARY [illegible]
Acting Adjutant General

March 16, 1952.